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A Recollection of the Early Seventies.

The following letter, of recent date from Samuel Mellison, a former resident and pioneer of Hays, to B. C. Arnold, will be of interest to many of the old timers who still live here. The lawsuit mentioned will especially interest several of the legal fraternity who were here at that time. Pestana, Gilkeson, Reeder and possibly others.

My recollection of an incident in Justice Court proceedings at Hays City in the early Seventies. This is one case of which there are many similar:

A man by the name of—was Justice of Peace; he also was one of the saloon-keepers of Hays, his place of business being located a few rods west of where now stands the Goodall Foundry.

The case in question was the then notorious Jack Johnson's, whose ranch was located on the Saline River, eighteen miles north of Hays. Jack was defendant in the case, the offense charged by one McDonald with stealing two steers from him.

Mack had bought the steers from Jim Richards and broken them to work, so they were seen and known by many people.

The evidence showed that Jack had been seen with two steers in his possession answering the description of the ones stolen from Mack.

One of the steers had peculiarly shaped horns; they were also branded. The butcher, Hughie Patton, testified as to buying the steers from Jack, Mack testifying that he had seen the heads and hides in possession of the butcher and that they were his steers.

The evidence for the prosecution was all in, when the Judge announced that the Court and Jury were thirsty and that Court would take a recess for a short time for refreshments.

Alex Ramsey was Sheriff, and calling Jack, referring to Johnson, said, "I guess it is up to you to do the act." Jack replied: "I reckon it looks that way."

The bar-room was in the building close to the room used for Court, so we all adjourned to the bar-room for refreshments.

Jack Johnson did the buying until all had been freely served, then all returned to the Court room and were seated.

The Judge, after a few remarks, announced that the case against Johnson would be dismissed for want of evidence.

Ramsey remarked to Jack "You're a lucky dog." Jack smiled and replied: "It was a close shave I guess," but it is hard to down a good man.

Sam Mellison.

John Unrein is building an automobile garage just west of the Armstrong garage, on Third Street.

Conrad Kruger, Jr., and wife of Pfeifer attended the Lutheran banquet Wednesday, December 8th, in Hays.

The heirs of J. C. Werth, deceased, last week received through the Miller Bros' agency, \$244 cash for the destruction of several stacks of wheat shortly after his death.

The Charity Ball at the Essex Hall, Tuesday night, for the benefit of the new hospital, was well patronized by the young people and was a decided success financially and otherwise.

Dr. Scanlan, the north side veterinarian, who has been seriously ill for several days, was taken to Chapman, Wednesday night, by his father and brother who arrived in Hays, Wednesday morning.

John H. Wood, agent for the Ryan property, is having the room occupied by Joseph Bissing remodeled. Joe, we are informed, contemplates putting in a stock of young men's clothing and furnishing goods in connection with his tailoring and cleaning plant.

Mrs. Hale went down to Ellsworth on Thursday morning, and that evening gave a two hours' program in the Methodist church—an evening that had been set apart for her to fill in the big week of specialties they have been having in the church there in commemoration of the paying off of the church debt.

There have been several automobile accidents since our last issue. However, no fatalities have occurred, although the automobiles were badly damaged. People are becoming so accustomed to automobiles that they are becoming careless. A clear head and a steady hand is desirable for an automobile chauffeur.

T. M. Peterson of the Victoria Review, was in Hays, Tuesday, getting acquainted with the printers of the city and sizing up the town. The Review is a neat little sheet, well printed and fairly well patronized in the way of advertising by the business men of Victoria. The Free Press wishes Mr. Peterson all kinds of success in his venture.

Andrew Goetz, who lives near Victoria, was driving to Hays in an Overland automobile, Tuesday afternoon, and when near Hays, by some unforeseen accident, ran into a wagon loaded with wheat, smashing his car badly and knocking a wheel off the wagon. The team hauling the wheat was being driven by Amos Leiker. The team and automobile were both going the same way—coming to Hays, and it seems a mystery how the accident could have happened. Probably carelessness on the part of the automobile driver.

Robert Joy recently purchased a four cylinder Studebaker automobile.

Frank Howie was confined to his room several days last week, on account of a sore leg.

Fred Karlin recently sold a lot on Third Street near the north side garage, to John Unrein.

Mrs. W. E. Taylor of Colorado, has leased the Bissing rooming house near the Normal, of John H. Wood.

Do you want to save money on your farm loan? See us this month. We need your business and will make a rate to get it.

J. M. Schaefer.

Stenographer employed wants employment in central or western Kansas, A-1 references. Address Stenographer care of Free Press.

Sam Haddock and family have moved to Logan county and are now living in Russell Springs. Sam has purchased land near McAllister, near the west line of the county.

We must have a few extra farm loans this month. Any amount from \$1,000, to \$10,000. Low rate. J. M. Schaefer.

C. M. Wann, this week, sold his Ford car to William Harman and purchased a real automobile, a Studebaker six, of J. H. Ward. Mr. Ward is doing a "land office" business, having sold five or six cars within the past ten days.

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Reference: Gate City National Bank.

Geo. King and Otto Knoche were in Salina, Monday of last week.

Notice

There will be a Christmas tree and an elaborate program at the Silverdale schoolhouse Friday night, December 24th. A cordial invitation extended to all. Program starts at 8 o'clock sharp. Chas. Brewer, Jr., Teacher.

Civic League Contest.

First prize, A. F. Cochran, \$10.00
Second prize, Virmond Sisters, \$5.00
HONORABLE MENTION.

J. M. Schaefer, Mrs. Leahy, Mrs. W. Paul, Mrs. Wm. King, Thos. Carrick, John Gross, W. A. Smith, Val Weigel, J. F. Jordan, C. A. Miller, Dr. Meade, Miss Schwallier, H. A. Cowan, M. Haffamier, A. D. Goethius, H. A. Bartell, C. W. Miller Jr., F. A. Schwallier, H. J. Penney, A. A. Wiesner, C. C. King, Henry Reemnyder, Gus Havemann, C. J. Smith, and others.

The contest was close. The honorable mention includes nearly the whole town; there were so many pretty yards. Respectfully submitted by the committee of judges.

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Merriam, { Servants	Julius Johnson
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Lady Bracknell	Alta Garrett
Gwendoline Fairfax (her daughter)	Stella Clark
Cecily Cardew (John Northing's ward)	Esther Turner
Miss Prism	May Brasted
Ernest	???

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